

Union Calendar No. 161

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1813

[Report No. 108–261, Parts I and II]

To amend the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998 to authorize appropriations to provide assistance for domestic and foreign centers and programs for the treatment of victims of torture, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 11, 2003

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. PITTS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. SABO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

SEPTEMBER 4, 2003

Reported from the Committee on International Relations

SEPTEMBER 4, 2003

Referral to the Committee on Energy and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than October 3, 2003

SEPTEMBER 17, 2003

Additional sponsors: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. LEE, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. WALSH, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. WATERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. FILNER, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. OWENS, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HONDA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. STARK, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. SNYDER, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KILDEE,

Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California,
Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. GRIJALVA

SEPTEMBER 17, 2003

Reported from the Committee on Energy and Commerce; committed to the
Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered
to be printed

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Torture Victims Relief
5 Reauthorization Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR DOMES-** 7 **TIC TREATMENT CENTERS FOR VICTIMS OF** 8 **TORTURE.**

9 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
10 5(b)(1) of the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998 (22
11 U.S.C. 2152 note) is amended to read as follows:

12 “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Of
13 the amounts authorized to be appropriated for the
14 Department of Health and Human Services for fis-
15 cal years 2004, 2005, and 2006, there are author-

1 ized to be appropriated to carry out subsection (a)
2 (relating to assistance for domestic centers and pro-
3 grams for the treatment of victims of torture)
4 \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2004, \$25,000,000 for
5 fiscal year 2005, and \$30,000,000 for fiscal year
6 2006.”.

7 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
8 subsection (a) shall take effect October 1, 2003.

9 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR FOR-**
10 **EIGN TREATMENT CENTERS FOR VICTIMS OF**
11 **TORTURE.**

12 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
13 4(b)(1) of the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998 (22
14 U.S.C. 2152 note) is amended to read as follows:

15 “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Of
16 the amounts authorized to be appropriated for fiscal
17 years 2004, 2005, and 2006 pursuant to chapter 1
18 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961,
19 there are authorized to be appropriated to the Presi-
20 dent to carry out section 130 of such Act (relating
21 to assistance for centers in foreign countries and
22 programs for the treatment of victims of torture)
23 \$11,000,000 for fiscal year 2004, \$12,000,000 for
24 fiscal year 2005, and \$13,000,000 for fiscal year
25 2006.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) shall take effect October 1, 2003.

3 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE**
4 **UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTION TO THE**
5 **UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTARY FUND FOR**
6 **VICTIMS OF TORTURE.**

7 Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated for fis-
8 cal years 2004, 2005, and 2006 pursuant to chapter 3
9 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, there
10 are authorized to be appropriated to the President for a
11 voluntary contribution to the United Nations Voluntary
12 Fund for Victims of Torture \$6,000,000 for fiscal year
13 2004, \$7,000,000 for fiscal year 2005, and \$8,000,000
14 for fiscal year 2006.

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